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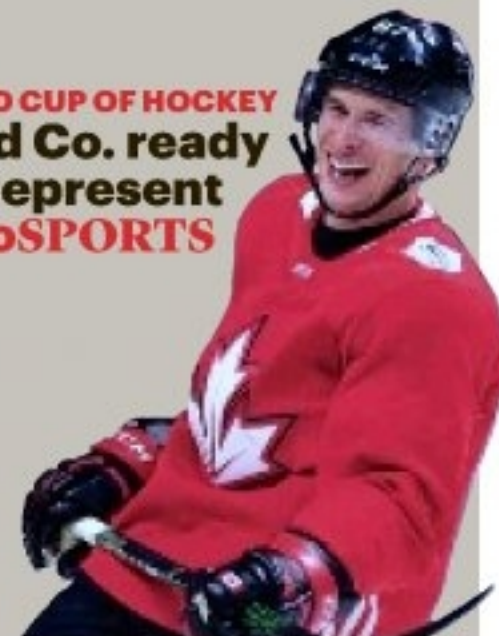
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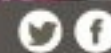
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Eyes on the prize: More ballots cast

MUNICIPAL ELECTION

**Halifax prof says
a new contest can
help low turnout**



**Haley
Ryan**
Metro | Halifax

Halifax may be using a prize contest to get people talking about the upcoming election — but one political science expert says any attempt “is welcome.”

On Tuesday, HRM launched the first #halifaxvotesbecause social media contest, where residents can submit videos and images on why they will vote in the municipal and/or school board elections this October.

“It certainly couldn’t hurt,” Kristin Good, associate professor with Dalhousie University’s political science department, said Tuesday.

Good said with the help of social media, the contest could help boost municipal voter turnout, which is

usually the lowest of all elections. In 2012, 36.9 per cent of voters cast a ballot in the municipal election, compared to 54.5 per cent in the 2013 provincial election, and 61.5 per cent in the 2011’s federal race.

It’s particularly hard to get people voting in municipal elections, Good said, because with no political parties there’s a lot more onus on the public to research who is running. She said campaigns are also personality-driven more so than issue-driven, making it more difficult to make a choice.

There’s also the idea municipal governments are not “considered to be as important as other levels of government that have constitutional status,” Good said, leading people to disregard them.

“Any attempt to try to engage voters at the municipal level is welcome,” she said.

The contest runs for the next six weeks, with weekly prize winners chosen by random draw, a HRM release said.

A grand prize winner will be chosen by drawing from the previous

+ DAYS UNTIL VOTE

Halifax election countdown:
38 days

weekly winners on Oct. 17, the Monday after the Oct. 15 municipal election. All entries must be in by 11:59 p.m. on Oct. 9 to be eligible for prizes.

Prizes include event tickets, gift certificates, transit passes and other promotional items like T-shirts and water bottles, while the grand prize winner gets a tablet.

To submit an entry, participants must use the hashtags “#halifaxvotesbecause” and “#contest” in a post on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.

Posts can be images or brief videos stating “I vote because ...” and participants are encouraged “to be creative and respectful with their entries.”

All those entering the contest must be 19 years or older, and a HRM resident.

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Library dubbed a work of art

CIVIC SPACES

Halifax Central comes in ninth spot on 'most beautiful' list



Yvette d'Entremont
Metro | Halifax

The CEO of Halifax Public Libraries said the most recent international recognition for the Halifax Central Library is good for the city and libraries in general.

The Spring Garden Road building has been dubbed one of the 10 "most beautiful libraries on earth" according to US-based Wired.com magazine.

"It's a thrill...It helps put Halifax on the map as a city that knows how to design and build great civic spaces," Åsa Kachan said in an interview.

"To me that's a great signal to the rest of the country about this city. About the kind of life and kind of community we like to create here."

In an article published on the magazine's website early Tuesday morning, Wired highlights 10 "beautiful" libraries from around the world.

"(A) good library is more than a repository for books — it's a community resource...Many of them function not just as singular temples to the written word, but community centers, auditoria, concert halls, and public gardens," the article states in part.

"All of them are works of art in themselves. Here are ten of note."

The Halifax Central Library is featured as number nine on

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TOP 10

Wired.com's 10 most beautiful libraries on earth

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2. Lawrence Public Library in Lawrence, Kansas, USA

3. Yangzhou Zhangshuge, Zhen Yuan, China

4. State Library, Istanbul, Turkey

5. Vennesla Library, Norway

6. Bodo Public Library, Norway

7. Chicago Public Library, USA

8. Birmingham Library, England

9. Halifax Central Library

10. Conarte Library, Monterrey, Mexico

the list. An early evening photo of the building is next to a paragraph describing it as 156,000 square feet of "imposingly piled glass."

"Situated in the city's downtown, the building's four glass boxes stack, twist, and cantilever to create a stunning building block effect," the write-up notes.



The view from the top floor of the Halifax Central Library.

Inset: The front of the building. JEFF HARPER/METRO



"On top of the building is a rooftop garden for enjoying warm Nova Scotia summers. Inside, the library's reading room converts to a concert hall."

Kachan said this latest accolade comes just ahead of a Sept. 20 Governor General's architecture award being given to the library at a ceremony in Ottawa. But she said the library's big-

gest strength is how it draws people in.

"These are wonderful recognitions we're given, but I always balance it out by saying what really fills my heart is the life I see unfolding in the space every day," she said.

"This is a space that's not only beautiful, but really works for people."

SCIENCE

Ottawa to invest \$93.7 million in ocean research centre

Ocean research on Canada's East Coast received a major boost Tuesday when the federal government announced nearly \$94 million in funding over seven years for a new institute based at Dalhousie University in Halifax.

Treasury Board President Scott Brison said the money for the new Ocean Frontier Institute (OFI) will allow Dalhousie to join with Memorial

University in Newfoundland and Labrador and the University of P.E.I., along with eight international institutes.

"It's national recognition of the importance of oceans to our country," said Martha Crago, Dalhousie's vice-president of research.

"It's very important economically that we understand what's happening, so we don't let the rich resources of the

ocean disappear on us and so that we use them in a sustainable manner."

Crago said the funding would broaden ongoing research on a scale that's "never been seen before."

The institute will focus on researching ocean and ecosystem change, such as acidification, and on developing innovations related to sustainable fisheries and aquaculture.

It will bring together international scientists, students and private sector companies in collaboration with some of the world's leading ocean institutes, including the Woods Hole lab associated with MIT and the Lamont Doherty lab at Columbia University.

Work will also be shared with three federal departments, the Royal Canadian Navy, and the Nova Scotia Com-

munity College.

In addition to the federal money, there is \$125 million from provincial governments and partners, including a donation of \$25 million from Nova Scotia businessman John Risley, making the \$219-million investment one of the largest in the ocean science sector.

In a statement Risley said it is important to bring together Atlantic Canada's research

community.

Crago said the institute would provide researchers with access to resources that weren't available before, such as top-of-the-line German research vessels.

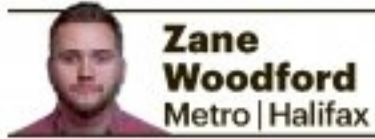
"We will be accessing those vessels in a different way than we would have been able to if we hadn't been all partnered together," she said.

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'Love story' of Birch Cove to go on

BLUE MOUNTAIN

Council committed to the next steps for a new park



Zane Woodford
Metro | Halifax

Regional council voted Tuesday to write another chapter in the "love story" between the people of Halifax and the proposed regional park at Blue Mountain Birch Cove.

Council voted to accept muni-

cipal staff's three recommendations to take no further action on a controversial facilitator's report that recommended allowing development on the site; to refuse a request from developers to initiate secondary planning on the site; and to direct staff to start the process to buy the necessary land for the park from 15 landowners in the area, and report back in six months. Council also tacked on an amendment to the third part that will require municipal staff to report back annually on progress after those six months.

"Today, they, I think, made the right decision, and have set us forward on a course to actually, one day, create this wonderful



It's almost like we're going off to buy a house and we haven't talked to the mortgage company.

Coun. Tim Outhit, on the unknown costs of the land

regional park, which would be the envy of, I think, any city in the country, if not North America," said Ecology Action Centre wilderness coordinator Raymond Plourde after Tuesday's vote.

More than 1,400 people wrote to the city over the summer, hoping to see the park, planned since 2006, come to fruition.

"In my view, this is an amazing love story," said Coun. Jennifer Watts of the letters from

the public. "You have sent to us words and thoughts and feelings that encompass both joy and laughter and surprise and wonder, but also pain and frustration. Everything that a relationship has in terms of a love story, is all encompassed in all these pages."

Not every councillor was smitten. "The love story hasn't really caught on in my district that I represent because there're so



Walkers at Birch Cove-Blue Mountain. JEFF HARPER/METRO

many people on my side of the pond that will never get to this park," said Coun. Gloria McCluskey. She expressed concerns about the question mark looming over the cost of what the

municipality committed to on Tuesday, and she wasn't alone.

"Certainly, we're not going to pay a price over and above what we think is fair market value," said Mayor Mike Savage.

SAFETY

Guns for bus rides passes

If you've got a gun, but don't have a ride, the municipality has the solution for you.

Despite multiple councillors' suggestions that the program is a "joke," Halifax regional council voted unanimously Tuesday to move forward with a plan to offer 50 Halifax Transit tickets to anyone who turns in guns or ammunition.

Coun. Gloria McCluskey said she had constituents calling her laughing about the proposal.

"I think this is kind of a joke, but anyway, maybe it'll work," she said during the debate on Tuesday.

The program stems from meetings between Mayor Mike Savage, Halifax police

leaders, and members of the public after "a spate of gun violence earlier this spring in HRM involving the deaths of four young men."

"Does anyone in this room believe that if this program was in place two weeks before that, that one of those four deaths would've been prevented? It's highly unlikely," said Coun. Steve Adams.

Nearly every councillor seemed to agree that the incentive — worth \$100 — wasn't enough to get people to turn in their guns, but they voted in favour of the program anyway.

The amnesty program will run from Sep. 12 to Sep. 23, and people interested should call police, who will come pick up any guns or ammunition.

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5 QUICK HITS FROM REGIONAL COUNCIL

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John Bignell, left, Terry Deveau and Keagan, 7, of the Nova Scotia Archeology Society look over a section of wall in Bayers Lake. JEFF HARPER/METRO FILE

1 WILLOW TREE DEVELOPMENT GROWS

After staff recommended the building be limited to 20 storeys, council voted Tuesday to allow bylaw amendments that make a 29-storey building possible at the corner of Robie Street and Quinpool Road.

The development at 6009 and 6017 Quinpool was one of two dealt with together, the other next door at 2032-2050 Robie.

Staff recommended splitting the two previously joined site-specific amendments proposed by the developers and drafting bylaws to allow a building limited to 20 storeys. Council approved the first half but not the second.

2 FUNDING FOR STREET OUTREACH

Council approved \$45,000 in funding for a program that seeks to "address homelessness and panhandling in Halifax and Dartmouth's downtown business districts."

The Navigator Street Outreach program, run by the Downtown Halifax Business Commission and Spring Garden Area Business Association, works to connect "street-involved and homeless" people with organizations like Adsum House for Women, Laing House and Out of the Cold Shelter.

3 CASH BEING CONSIDERED FOR NEPTUNE

Staff at HRM will consider the addition of \$50,000 in funding for Neptune Theatre ahead of next year's budget.

The funding would go toward renovations this year and next. The federal and provincial governments announced contributions of nearly \$1 million and \$100,000, respectively, in March.

The theatre had asked the municipality for \$100,000, but based on municipal policies, plus tax relief and a grant that staff say add up to nearly \$500,000 annually, they recommended only granting \$50,000.

4 MYSTERY WALL TO BE DEMYSTIFIED

The long-standing mystery of a strange stone structure in Bayers Lake may soon be solved.

Halifax regional council approved \$5,475 in funding on Tuesday for a scientific exploration of the Bayers Lake Mystery Wall — so dubbed because no one knows its age or who built it — to be done next fall by the Nova Scotia Archaeology Society.

The society wants to use an X-Ray Fluorescence system in order to analyze soil chemistry at the site. The society wants to include the public and says in its proposal they could run a site tour or even a workshop.

5 DARTMOUTH MUSEUM IN THE WORKS?

A museum to hold the history of Dartmouth should be on the way soon.

Council voted for a report on plans for a new museum in Dartmouth after the sale of the old Dartmouth City Hall building closes at the end of September.

There was a proposal more than two years ago to use the building as a museum, before council decided to sell the building and use the profits to build a Dartmouth museum.

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HEALTH

Short supply of finger puppets, dexterous donors needed



Yvette d'Entremont
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For many families, a visit to the IWK Health Centre is synonymous with the little finger puppets handed out as a distraction to young patients.

With designs ranging from sea creatures and superheroes to chickens and camels, more than 1,000 of the puppets are distributed each month to children undergoing blood work or other medical procedures.

But over the summer the supply has dropped and the hospital's volunteer resources team are asking for volunteers to knit and crochet more of the popular puppets.

"We don't usually have to put a call out for them," explained Kylene Mellor, manager of volunteer resources at the IWK Health Centre.



A sample of fun finger puppets among the more than 1,000 distributed by the hospital each month. YVETTE D'ENTREMONT/METRO

"We've had a very steady supply, but the last couple of months have been busier than normal and our supply has gone lower than we would like it to."

The puppets are handed out to patients and their young siblings in all areas of the hospital. They're free for the taking

and can be found everywhere from the information desk to the emergency department.

"The finger puppets have been around for a very, very long time," Mellor said.

"We actually hear from people well into their adulthood that received them when they were here as a child and

actually still have them."

The finger puppets are knitted or crocheted and vary from detailed and creative designs to basic ones with simple eyes and a mouth.

"They're also for siblings so when your sibling has to go in and get poked then the non-poked sibling can have one

and sit in the waiting room," Mellor said.

The hospital put out the call for finger puppets on its Facebook page Tuesday morning and as of Tuesday afternoon a few donations had come in.

"The people who make these for us are everyone from Girl Guide groups right up to senior

+ GLOBAL EFFORT

Help from far and wide

The IWK Health Centre's manager of volunteer resources said while the majority of the volunteers making IWK finger puppets are Maritimers, people far and wide donate.

"We have donors with connections to us in other provinces, in the States, in Europe and elsewhere that actually pay to ship them to us because they have such fond memories of them," Kylene Mellor explained.

"These puppets are always popular and people just love them." METRO

citizens. We're very grateful and fortunate," she said.

Donations can be dropped off or mailed to the IWK's volunteer resources department. The hospital provides a few basic patterns on its website, but more detailed designs (like barnyard animals) are available through the same department.





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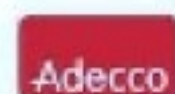
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Death threat charges dropped

The Crown has withdrawn death-threat charges against a Cape Breton teenager who posted online a song he wrote that included lyrics suggesting a school shooting "sounds like bliss."

The RCMP said the lyrics, written by 18-year-old Nelson Fletcher Rudderham, represented a threat against students and staff at the Inverness Education Centre Academy.

His trial was due to begin Tuesday, but the Crown withdrew the charge when the Inverness teenager agreed to sign a peace bond.

Defence lawyer Kevin Patriquin said he was happy with the outcome.

"I think it's a good resolution. It's one where you know what the outcome is going to be in terms of not having a criminal record, as long as he complies with the terms, and that is one of the most important aspects of it," he said.

Under the terms of the 12-month recognizance, Rudderham is required to keep the peace, stay away from the Inverness school, and not own or possess any firearms or explosives.

Crown attorney Herman Felderhof told the court he would drop the charge if Rudderham signed a bond, but did not elaborate. He would not comment afterward.

Patriquin said the peace bond conditions were all standard, and his client will have no problem complying with the firearms condition, which the Crown wanted because of the perceived threat conveyed in the song. "That was a pretty easy one because Mr. Rudderham doesn't own any firearms anyways," he said.

Rudderham, who previously attended Inverness Academy, has said he included the line in question for shock value.

A song posted on his Facebook page, "They Call Me D-head," includes the following lyric: "I just got F-ed out of an education. A school shooting right now sounds like bliss in a single situation."

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+ SARCASTIC

Nelson Rudderham was charged in March. At the time, his defence lawyer said Rudderham had indicated on his Facebook page that the song was meant to be sarcastic.

Crown stands firm in case against Frank mag's editor

COURT

Douglas charged with breaking publication ban

A Nova Scotia prosecutor has put a damper on a Halifax gossip magazine editor's hopes that a charge of violating a publication ban in the case of a police officer's murder is going to be dropped swiftly.

Instead, the Crown lawyer said Tuesday after a brief hearing in provincial court she's confident in the case against Andrew Douglas, the managing editor of Frank Magazine.

"I can tell you as a criminal lawyer with extensive experience, his basic position is contrary to my understanding of the criminal law," Catherine Cogswell said outside of court.

Douglas has argued the case should be dropped because his online site and magazine published the information before provincial court Judge Anne Derrick banned it during a July 11 preliminary hearing.

On Tuesday, Douglas said after the hearing he'd felt there was such a strong chance the case wouldn't proceed, he'd held off on hiring a defence lawyer for his initial appearance at the Halifax provincial courthouse.

"I was 95 per cent sure the charges were going to be dropped today. It shows what I know," he



Andrew Douglas, managing editor of Frank Magazine, arrives at provincial court in Halifax on Tuesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

said, after pleading not guilty and promising to return on Sept. 20 to set a trial date.

"There's been no law broken," Douglas said when he returns he'll have a media lawyer to begin defending his case.

The Frank article that drew the police charges was based on a document concerning Catherine Campbell, a 36-year-old Truro police officer who was the victim of the alleged homicide.

The document was placed be-

fore the court as the preliminary hearing into the second-degree murder charges against Christopher Calvin Garnier was starting. Campbell was a Truro police constable for six years before her death. Police have said she went



There may be some kind of smoking gun here I'm missing. But I can't imagine that there is.

Andrew Douglas

missing after meeting a man at a bar in Halifax, and that her body was found near an overpass that leads to a harbour bridge.

Her death drew national headlines and resulted in a funeral attended by hundreds in her hometown of Stellarton. Police officers and firefighters lined the streets as her casket was brought to the church.

Douglas has repeatedly said his story about Campbell was researched, written and published ahead of the publication ban — and that this is a valid defence against the publication ban accusation.

The editor says the magazine received the information more than two weeks before publishing, put the story on its website at 9:30 or 10 a.m. on July 11, and that publication ban didn't go into effect until later in the day.

He says the same story was printed on the morning of July 11 and appeared in the print edition of the magazine, which was distributed on newsstands on July 13.

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FIRE

Displaced residents looking for cats

Following the chaos of the devastating fire that ripped through the Edgehill Estates apartment complex, displacing some 70-plus residents, people are now looking for their feline friends.

The problem — some don't know where to start looking.

Tammy Acker, president of the Hants SPCA, said she's been frustrated with the process since the fire happened on Sept. 1. "I have heard they're being rounded up, but I have no idea who is rounding them up or where they're going," she said. "The SPCA hasn't been kept in the loop about anything unfortunately."

Adding to the frustration is that pet owners are being encouraged to call the SPCA for

more information.

One person looking for the cats and hoping to reunite more with their owners is the vice president of the Hants County SPCA, Heather Lambie, who lives near the Edgehill Estates.

"I've been going up there, around the property, in the woods, to see if there are any cats around," Lambie said. "When I went up there on (Sept. 4) there was apparently somebody up there with cages and water and were told they had to get permission before doing that."

Lambie said they're waiting patiently before getting the go-ahead to go on the property with traps and cages to find any missing felines.

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Canada not perfect on rights: PM

POLITICS

Trudeau raises concerns with China's elites

When Justin Trudeau raised concerns directly with China's political elite about their human-rights record, he says he acknowledged Canada isn't perfect.

The prime minister shared more details Tuesday about his high-level talks last week with Beijing, sessions that included face time with President Xi Jinping and Premier Li Keqiang.

Trudeau told a business luncheon in Hong Kong that he brought up his concerns in those meetings, ranging from consular cases, rule of law, governance and corruption.

"(I) talked about the challenges, but also talked about the fact that Canada is not immune to criticisms on human rights, either," he said during an on-stage interview hosted by the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong.

"The perspective that a lot of countries have is, 'Well, you know, foreign countries or foreign observers shouldn't be criti-

cizing what are internal matters to us.'"

He said he pointed out how a UN rapporteur put out a "scathing report" a few years ago on Canada's treatment of Indigenous Peoples, of missing and murdered aboriginal women and girls and other challenges.

Trudeau's Hong Kong event came on the last day of his eight-day official visit to China, a trip that also included stops in Beijing, Shanghai and Hangzhou for the Group of 20 leaders' summit.

His primary goal of the visit was to strengthen commercial ties with the Chinese regime. He repeated his argument Tuesday that Ottawa's connection to China was "hot and cold" when the Conservatives were in power.

With Canada struggling through an extended period of weak growth, the government sees expanding the relationship with China as a key to helping the economy.

His appearance Tuesday in Hong Kong followed a landmark election result in the southern Chinese city that saw a group of young pro-democracy activists win seats in the local legislature.

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+ CAUTION ON BOTH SIDES OF PACIFIC

Prime Minister has to negotiate at home as well

Getting tighter with China may pose challenges at home in Canada. Trudeau has had to address widespread concerns about the Chinese regime's handling of human rights nationally.

Asked how Canada might engage with China on behalf of Hong Kong, Trudeau was cautious. "I'm going to use a line that I've been able to use a few times regarding our neighbours to the south: Canada will work with whoever gets elected and forms government."



Sophia Spencer poses for a photo with her grasshopper named Hoppers in Alexandria, Ont. Her mother tweeted about her daughter's love of bugs and the post went viral. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

CREEPY CRAWLIES

Entomologists rally around bullied girl

Seven-year-old Sophia Spencer loves bugs so much she had her hair cut short so it wouldn't get in the way while she was catching them.

She keeps more than a dozen pet grasshoppers in a dinosaur bucket and Mason jar at home. Last year, her favourite bugs were snails, and the year before that she was fascinated with worms and ants.

After moving from Sarnia to Alexandria, Ont., and switching schools, her obsession with insects set her apart from the other kids and made her the butt of cruel jokes, according to her mom, Nicole.

The teasing started on the first day of school. Sophia was carrying a caterpillar around and talking to it, as she's prone to do, when a girl said: "You're

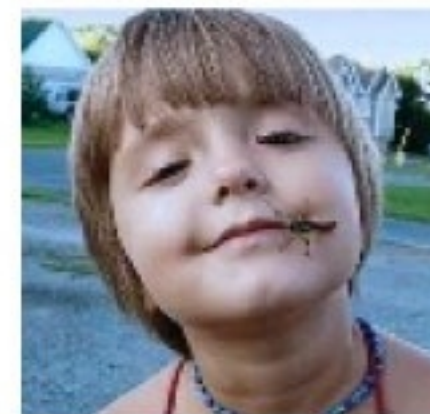
weird. You shouldn't be playing with bugs."

The bullying only got worse, Nicole said. When Sophia brought another caterpillar to show-and-tell, a boy asked to see it after — then stomped on it.

"Nobody would go near her," her mom said.

She notified Sophia's teachers and still nothing changed, she said. The bullying had taken such a toll on her daughter's confidence that she wrote a heartfelt email to the Entomological Society of Canada. She asked the society to arrange a chat between Sophia and an insect specialist, to encourage her love of bugs.

"I want her to know from an expert that she is not weird or strange (what kids call her) for loving bugs and insects," Nicole wrote.



Sophia and Hoppers
TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

The email found its way to Jackson Morgan, the society's social media volunteer and a PhD student in entomology at Guelph University.

"I was heartbroken," he recalled. "I don't like hearing about anybody being bullied, especially about something I'm so passion-

ate about."

He posted the email to Twitter, where it grabbed the attention of entomologists internationally.

By Friday, more than a hundred people agreed to be her pen pal, said Morgan. The social media discussion took on a life of its own under the hashtag #BugsR4Girls as entomologists the world over posted words of encouragement and pictures of themselves with creepy crawlies.

"I was inspired by brilliant female entomologists & I hope that I can do the same for others," tweeted Ashleigh Whiffin, an entomology curatorial assistant at the National Museums of Scotland.

All the messages have lifted Sophie's spirits and made her feel "famous," her mom said.

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IN BRIEF

Canadian aircraft support intelligence in Iraq, Syria

A senior officer says Canadian aircraft in Iraq and Syria are providing intelligence to allies for airstrikes and other operations against Daesh. This year the government withdrew six CF-18s from the region, but left behind a Polaris air-to-air refueller and two Aurora surveillance aircraft. Those aircraft have continued to support the bombing campaign against Daesh, also known as ISIL.

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CONSULTATIONS

Change infrastructure rules, cities ask federal government

Canadian municipalities want the federal government to change the way it decides how much money cities should get for transit and water projects.

The changes outlined in June to the federal infrastructure minister would potentially, if implemented, give more money to smaller communities to help them build a transit system or improve private septic systems.

Municipal leaders are also looking to the Liberals to set

aside a significant amount of money for social housing over the coming decade, and to continue funding up to half of eligible project costs to help cities more easily manage project expenses.

The details are contained in summary reports prepared for Infrastructure Minister Amarjeet Sohi after he met in early June with mayors, reeves and officials with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities as part of consultations on the second

phase of the government's 10-year, \$60-billion infrastructure program.

Another round of consultations is scheduled for Wednesday in Edmonton. The final outline of how Phase 2 will work is to be released within the next year.

Community leaders told Sohi they wanted the federal government to allocate money to cities under the second phase instead of making them apply for federal help. THE CANADIAN PRESS

A game of he said/she said

U.S. ELECTION

Clinton, Trump: He's a national security danger; no, she is

Hillary Clinton accused Donald Trump of insulting America's veterans and pressing dangerous military plans around the globe on Tuesday, seeking to undercut his appeal to service families in Southern voting battlegrounds. Trump declared "our country is going to hell" because of policies she would make even worse.

Clinton, addressing supporters in Florida, warned that Trump would lead the nation back to war in the Middle East. And to military vets and their families, she pointed anew to his summertime dust-up with the Muslim parents of a slain American soldier.

"His whole campaign has been one long insult to all those who have worn the uniform," the Democratic nominee said at the University of South Florida in Tampa.



The two presidential candidates are sending conflicting messages to voters. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Republican Trump, trying to emphasize his military support, released a letter from 88 retired generals and admirals citing an urgent need for a "course correction" in America's national security policy.

It was aimed at rebutting

Clinton's arguments that she would be best positioned to lead the military and reassuring Republicans who have openly worried that his provocative statements might undermine U.S. alliances.

"We believe that such a

change can only be made by someone who has not been deeply involved with, and substantially responsible for, the hollowing out of our military and the burgeoning threats facing our country around the world," the military leaders



wrote.

"For this reason, we support Donald Trump's candidacy to be our next commander in chief."

Clinton pushed back, saying Trump has lagged in securing key military supporters compared to past Republican nominees.

She pointed to her endorsements from retired Marine Gen. John Allen, who blasted Trump at the Democratic National Committee, and former CIA deputy director Mike Morell.

"They know they can count on me to be the kind of commander in chief who will protect our country and our troops, and they know they cannot count on Donald Trump," Clinton said en route to Florida. "They view him as a danger and a risk."

The conflicting messages came as the candidates prepared to appear at an MSNBC forum Wednesday night on national security. While they will appear separately and not be on stage at the same time, it could serve as a warm-up to their highly-anticipated first presidential debate on Sep. 26 in New York. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Turner joins sex offender registry

The former Stanford University swimmer whose six-month sentence for sexual

assaulting an unconscious woman sparked a national outcry has registered as a sex offender in Ohio, where he's living with his parents.



Brock Turner ASSOCIATED PRESS

Brock Turner registered at the Greene County sheriff's office on Tuesday, four days after leaving a California jail after serving half his term. California jail inmates with good behaviour typically serve half their sentences.

Turner registered under his family's address in Sugarcreek Township, where about a dozen people had protested Friday as police watched.

The 21-year-old must register as a sex offender for life. He faces three years of supervised probation. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WEATHER

Hurricane Newton slams into Mexican resorts



People ride bikes during the passage of Hurricane Newton in Baja California Sur, Mexico. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Hurricane Newton shattered windows, downed trees and knocked out power in parts of the twin resorts of Los Cabos on Tuesday, but residents were spared the kind of extensive damage seen two years ago when they were walloped by a stronger storm.

Newton made landfall at the southern tip of Mexico's Baja California peninsula in the morning as a Category 1 hurricane with winds of 150 km/h, pelting the area with torrential rain as residents hunkered down in their homes and tourists huddled in hotels.

Palm trees were toppled along Cabo San Lucas' coastal boulevard and some windows were broken. But there was calm in the city as firefighters cleaned refuse from the streets during the day.

"There are only minor damages — fallen branches, some fallen banners, some cables ... in general, no victims," army Col. Enrique Rangel said.

"Just trying to make it through the day, with a little help," Mark Hernandez, a tourist from California, said as he raised a can of beer at one of the few bars open

in Cabo San Lucas. "We pray for the city of Cabo San Lucas. It was a rough one as you can see."

Roberto Dominguez, a customer relations worker at the Fairfield Marriot, said the hotel's windows and balconies had been sufficiently protected from the storm and guests were fine, although cellphone and internet services had been knocked out.

"At this moment there are no reports of people killed or missing due to Hurricane Newton," said Luis Felipe Puente, head of Mexico's civil defence agency.

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IN BRIEF

Thirteen killed in deadly weekend in Chicago

Thirteen people were shot to death over the Labor Day weekend in Chicago, making it the deadliest holiday weekend of one of the deadliest summers the city has experienced in decades.

Police have not released a final tally, but according to local media reports at least 65 people were shot, including the 13 who died.

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Dog owners ditching prepared dry foods

PETS

Raw, cooked options trend becoming niche business

It seems like kismet that one of the inspirations behind Planet Pup, a Winnipeg dog bakery, was a pooch named Biscuit.

Deb Kurdydyk, who runs the business from her kitchen, said the idea came to her after she started cooking hot organic meals for her Shepherd-Rottweiler mix and wondered, why not start baking cookies and cakes too?

Planet Pup specializes in bone-shaped dog biscuits and birthday cakes. The treats, which are sold online and at some select local retailers, come in a variety of flavours including Wild Pacific salmon and smoked gouda, and elk, apple and blue cheese.

The niche business and others like it are hoping to corner a market that may be poised to grow in the future.

According to market researcher Euromonitor, pet owners in Canada are still opting for prepared food due to convenience, but a rising number are turning to organic and raw pet food.

A Euromonitor report released in June says while prepared dog food accounted for an 87 per cent share of total dog food consumption last year, that is expected to decrease this year.

Karen Schiavone has been selling raw dog food at Barkside Bistro in Toronto's east end for three years after her two dogs died on the same night, both from cancer. "I realized it was probably the food," said Schiavone, who also offers a delivery subscription service. Barkside sells a variety of bones and meats, including beef, duck, elk, buffalo and kangaroo.

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Karen Schiavone, pictured in her Toronto store Barkside Bistro which specializes in raw dog food, is one of many hoping to corner a market that may be poised to grow. THE CANADIAN PRESS

FISHERIES

EU close to banning American lobsters

The European Union will conduct a more extensive review of a proposal to ban lobsters imported from the U.S. and Canada after a scientific panel concluded Sweden raised valid points in its request to declare the American lobster an invasive species.

The international dispute started when Sweden announced it had found 32 American lobsters in the country's waters earlier this year and that they pose a threat to native crustaceans. How the American lobsters ended up in Swedish waters is unclear.

Sweden's Agency for Marine

and Water Management contends the country is right to be cautious about the appearance of a foreign species.

The agency also says more research is needed into the impact of cross-breeding of American and European lobsters.

But Robert S. Steneck, a University of Maine scientist, contends American lobsters don't pose a threat to European lobsters in part because winter ocean temperatures along the coasts of European countries are too warm for American lobsters to reproduce.

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+ CANADA VOWS TO FIGHT EU PLAN

Canada's Fisheries Minister Dominic LeBlanc says the Canadian and American governments will "vigorously" try to convince the European Union that the American lobster does not pose a threat.

Lobstermen in the U.S. and Canada stand to lose \$200 million in business with EU countries if the

ban becomes a reality, but they contend a ban is not supported by science.

Sweden set the wheels in motion when it announced it had found 32 American lobsters in the country's waters earlier this year and that they pose a threat to native crustaceans.

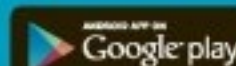
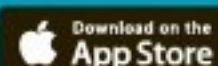
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PAUL WELLS ON FEDERAL RESEARCH FUNDING



In giving \$900 million to only 13 institutions and a few dozen researchers, the Liberals highlighted some disturbing trends in Canada's national science effort.

At first glance, the parade of cabinet ministers on university campuses across Canada yesterday might have looked like evidence of a new era in federal support for science.

Scott Brison was on hand at Dalhousie University in Halifax, which will work with the University of Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland's Memorial University on a multidisciplinary ocean-studies project. The size of the grant from Ottawa: \$94 million.

Kirsty Duncan and Bardish Chagger were in Waterloo, where the Institute for Quantum Computing picked up \$76 million to create powerful new technology using quantum physics. And on it went: \$78 million for flood and drought prediction at the University of Saskatchewan. \$84 million for brain research at McGill, \$94 million for big data at the Université de Montréal, \$75 million for clean energy at each of Alberta's two biggest universities.

In all, 13 centres of higher learning split \$900 million in grants under the Canada First Research Excellence Fund (CFREF), whose website says it was designed to help Canadian post-secondary institutions become "global research leaders."

Specifically — and this fact was not emphasized at any of the announcements on Tuesday — it was designed in 2014 by the former Conservative government, whose finance

Does it make more sense to bet big on 13 research institutes or to bet long on 1,000 quiet explorers? Maybe you should do a bit of both.

minister at the time, the late Jim Flaherty, announced CFREF in his 2014 budget.

This tidbit should elicit a wry chuckle from anyone who's used to hearing the Harper government dismissed as a bunch of knuckle-dragging backwoodsmen at war with the Enlightenment. There was indeed a lot to criticize about how Harper did science, but those Liberal ministers were out there on Tuesday cashing Conservative

dozen researchers, serves to highlight some disturbing long-term trends in Canada's national science effort.

CFREF was created to allow big science in Canada to bulk up so it could compete against world-leading research institutions abroad. But it comes along at a moment when everyday science — the day-to-day efforts of researchers in labs across the country — has been struggling. The Harper government held the line on



DON'T SPEND IT ALL IN 13 PLACES Dalhousie University received a \$94 million cheque from the Liberal government yesterday, part of a \$900-million federal investment in scientific research. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

cheques.

(Since those cheques, whether red or blue, come out of your taxes, the difference is mostly one of dramatic effect. And this sort of policy continuity, where a new government implements an earlier government's decisions, is usually healthy, because it gives anyone who deals with government a chance to plan past the next election.)

But paternity is not the only interesting question to arise from yesterday's announcement. That \$900 million, distributed among only 13 institutions and a few

most operating grants to researchers, so fewer and fewer research applications have been receiving funding. The Canadian Institutes for Health Research, the main federal government vehicle for funding medical research, has seen its "success rate" fall to 13 per cent, and it will probably fall further.

That leaves a lot of frustrated and disillusioned scientists, many of them the younger early-career researchers who are entering precisely the period in their careers when most scientists do their most surprising

and productive work. Tony Pawson, the British-born cell biologist who died in Toronto in 2013, opened up a whole new field of lucrative and life-saving anti-cancer therapies with research that didn't cost much, showed little obvious promise, and began when he was 21.

Michael Hendricks, a McGill University biologist, pointed out yesterday that with \$700 million — less than the amount that was spent yesterday — Ottawa could fund "1,000 Canadian research labs that are already equipped and ready to go but are starved for operating funds."

Does it make more sense to bet big on 13 research institutes or to bet long on 1,000 quiet explorers? Maybe you should do a bit of both. It's not as though the Trudeau government is ignoring the question: a federal review of science funding is underway, led by former University of Toronto president David Naylor, with a mandate to report by the end of the year.

Naylor is a pit bull, and his panel's website suggests it's considering precisely the sorts of questions I've raised here. But its composition is weighted toward administrators over early- and mid-career researchers, and decisions are being made even as it does its work. It will do little good to decide, after \$900 million has been spent, that other choices might have been wiser.

Strong day-to-day advice might help while the expert panels do their consulting. But 10 months after the government was sworn in, Trudeau and his science minister have not appointed a senior federal science adviser, something they promised to do in the last election.

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Mansbridge's successor: A gravitas-meister for the rest of us, let's hope



Vicky Mochama
For Metro

Flagship television news hasn't evolved much from its origins.

For most channels, news is still read by a person who is often a white man in an expensive suit. After some gravitas-laced reading aloud, he will throw over to a handful of correspondents dotted across the world then to a weather person. Then he'll wrap up with a lighter story.

"And finally, a waterskiing parrot has raised over \$2,000 for the children's hospital. Our correspondent reports."

For Canadians, our Head of Gravitas has been Peter Mansbridge, CBC's host of The National, who has announced that he will longer host the flagship news show as of Canada Day 2017.

In 1993, Mans — as he's called by his very close friends/me — introduced Canadians to "a computer network called Internet." It's been 23 years now and it's time for the Internet to replace him. Video supposedly killed the radio star and yet we still know who Ira Glass and Anna Maria Tremonti are. So, yes, in the future, we will have news anchors. Sort of.

Ideally, the CBC will be at the forefront of existing technology and find a way to bridge Snapchat's filters and Pokémon Go's augmented reality layers onto broadcast news. Since Nahlah Ayed is going to trek to a tunnel under the Israeli-Palestinian border, why not allow the

viewer to experience it from the safety of home? Maybe we can even keep Mans as a hologram, only now that reassuring voice and grey suit can wear a flower-crown filter.

Nothing from the CBC suggests that they have the ability to create a digital host. But on at least one front, they have the ability to push Canadian media past a major frontier: Do not give the National anchor job to another white man.

There's nothing essentially wrong with white men, but there are enough on TV at the moment, thank you very much. If you're not thrilled that a white man isn't reading the news, just wait an hour and a blinding array of white men can joke about the news on the late-night shows.

The CBC has a mandate to reflect Canadians back to Canada, and yet the corporation is incredibly white in a country that is at least a quarter visible minority. Recently, the CBC replaced Shad, a black man, with Tom Power, who is white, as host of Q. So they owe the Mansbridge replacement to the rest of us, who pay to see Canada reflected to us.

Peter Mansbridge exits the anchor's chair on Canada's 150th birthday. Let's step forward into our bright future by letting a person of colour tell my mom the day's sad news seven hours after I've read about it on Twitter.

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RECIPE

Get in the mood for autumn with this pork dish

Kitchen wisdom holds that produce that's in season at the same time will taste great on the same plate (what grows together, goes together, as the saying goes). Here, sweet potatoes, apples, and Vidalia onion are roasted along with pork chops for an autumnal one-pan supper.

The tubers soak up the pan juices — flavoured with apple cider vinegar, apple cider, and caraway seeds — that are also drizzled over each serving.

Roasted Pork Chops with Sweet Potatoes and Apples

Serves 4.

Ingredients:

- 4 bone-in pork chops (each about 10 ounces and 1 inch thick)
- Coarse salt and freshly ground pepper
- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 medium sweet potatoes, scrubbed and cut into ¼-inch-thick rounds
- 1 large sweet onion, such as Vidalia, cut into ¼-inch-

thick rounds

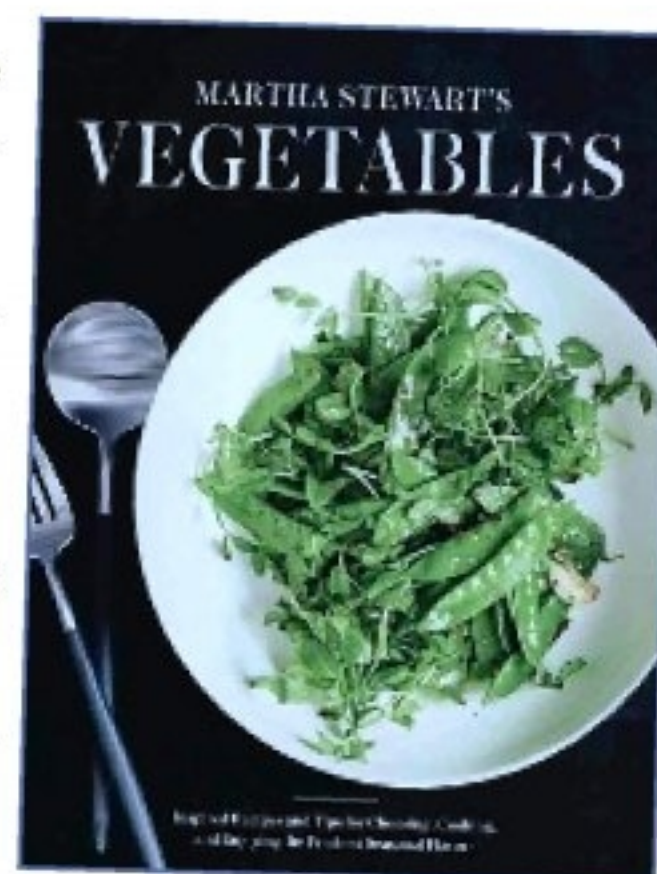
- 1/3 cup apple cider vinegar, preferably unfiltered
- ½ cup unsweetened apple cider, preferably unfiltered
- 1 teaspoon caraway seeds
- 2 apples, preferably Honeycrisp, thinly sliced, seeds removed

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 375°F. Season pork with salt and pepper. Heat a large oven-proof skillet over medium high; swirl in oil. Cook chops until golden brown, turning once, about 8 minutes total. Transfer to a plate. Remove all but 2 tablespoons fat from skillet.

2. Reduce heat to medium. Add potatoes and onion; season with salt. Cook until golden in spots, about 10 minutes. Add vinegar and cider. Cover and simmer, stirring a few times, until potatoes are tender, about 5 minutes. Sprinkle with caraway seeds.

3. Return pork and juices to skillet; tuck apple slices between chops. Roast until a thermometer inserted into thickest part of chops (without touching bone) registers 138°F, about 10 minutes. Serve pork, vegetables, and apples with pan juices.



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I TRIED IT

The Starbucks pumpkin spice latte has a hot sister

Ariel Teplitsky
Torstar News Service

Summer has come to its unofficial end, but fall couldn't feel further away. Is it really time to put away the garden hose and start thinking about our Halloween costumes? Not in the midst of this week's heat wave. (Though, if it continues, expect a lot of shirtless Trudeaus to come trick or treating.)

Nor are we yet inclined to put on a cosy sweater and curl up with all things pumpkin spice, the official flavour of fall.

Yet here we are.

This week, Starbucks is bringing back its popular seasonal offering, the pumpkin spice latte, but this time it's got rather more weather-appropriate company: chile mocha latte.

It's a similarly indulgent drink — a base of espresso laden with milk and whipped cream, but instead of pumpkin pie spices and puree, there's cocoa, cinnamon and a kick of chile peppers. It's sweet, but a bit less so than the PSL, with 40 grams of sugar (and 350 calories) in the 16-ounce grande (\$4.95).

Get a smaller size, or cut out

the whipped cream, to diminish the guilt.

The drink brings the chocolate-chile combo, once limited to craft chocolate-makers and Mexican vendors, fully mainstream — just a few months behind chili-nut M&Ms, which debuted stateside this year. Is a sriracha Hershey bar far behind?

Our taste panel got a sneak sip of Starbucks' new brew — both hot and iced versions of the drink, since the company is trying to promote its chilled offerings beyond the summer months. While the weather lasts, that shouldn't be a problem.

We began with the hot drink: familiar flavours of sweet espresso, chocolate and cream followed by an undeniable bite of not-too-spicy chile. The spice does a nice job of balancing the beverage, which is otherwise a little too sweet for my tastes. Still, what's not to like? It didn't take long to drink half a grande.

Then it was time for the iced chile mocha latte, which tastes, well, like an iced mocha latte, hold the chile.

That's because most of the spice comes from a powder sprinkled over top of the whipped cream. In the hot latte, the cream and spice

dissolve fairly fast. But in the iced version, much of the spice powder remains suspended on the cloud of whipped cream even after you've inhaled all the cold liquid through a straw.

Without the spice, it tastes notably sweeter than the hot latte.

Better to order just a dollop of whipped cream with the iced version, or get a different drink.

Tailored to your particular taste, the hot chile mocha latte is a keeper. But once colder weather sets in, the CML will be no match for the PSL.

Would I drink it again? Inevitably.



The chile mocha latte brings the chocolate-chile combo, once limited to artisan chocolatiers, to the mainstream.

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RIPLEY'S AQUARIUM

Drake, RiRi date spawns matching shark tattoos



Drake wears feelings on his forearm. INSTAGRAM/CHAMPAGNEPAPI



Colin McNeil
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Rihanna may have Love on the Brain, but Drake has it on his arm.

The 6ix God was recently spotted with a camouflage shark tattooed on his right forearm — the same ink that Rihanna recently showed off in an Instagram post.

The significance? Drake reportedly rented out the entire Ripley's Aquarium for a private date with his on-again, off-again love interest earlier this summer, in July. Rumour has it he bought her a stuffed shark, and the tat is a reference to the heartfelt gift.



Rihanna's bitten by love.

INSTAGRAM/BANGBANGNYC

If that wasn't romantic enough for you, the musical power couple later took an affectionate selfie under the CN Tower. Now that's what we call Views From The 6.



JOHANNA SCHNELLER WHAT I'M WATCHING

Entire episode is a spoiler

THE SHOW: American Gothic, Season 1, Episode 11 (Global)
THE MOMENT: The complete recap

"You need to know the whole story," Boston matriarch Madeline Hawthorne (Virginia Madsen) tells three of her grown children — Alison (Juliet Rylance), who wants to be mayor; Cam (Justin Chatwin), a recovering drug user; and Tessa (Megan Ketch), pregnant and fragile — about the local serial murderer known as the Silver Bells Killer (SBK).

Meanwhile, while digging up a body, Madeline's other child, Garrett (Antony Starr), hunky and troubled, tells the same story to Tessa's husband Brady (Elliot Knight), a cop.

"The man you pushed down the stairs was SBK," Madeline intones.

"I kept the knife as a reminder that I had to do what I did," Garrett growls.

"So Dad wasn't SBK, he was a copycat," Cam deduces.

"He killed to protect his fortune," Alison adds.

"Why didn't you tell us when we found the bells?" Tessa won-



Virginia Madsen (Madeline Hawthorne) tells everyone in the family whodunnit in Episode 11 of American Gothic. CONTRIBUTED

ders.

"Or when his DNA matched the belt?" Alison asks.

This is one of the strangest hours of TV ever. Instead of the usual mystery series route — seed clues throughout the episodes; let viewers figure some stuff out along the way; build

to a finale that reveals answers via plot — this one just throws up its hands and says, "That's hard. How 'bout I simply tell you everything all at once?"

The real question isn't, Why didn't Madeline tell her kids this earlier and spare them a lot of grief? The real question

is: Why the heck is she telling us this now, since it renders the entire season we just watched absolutely moot?

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.

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The line between bling and beauty



REVIEW

C-Class had to be great —and fortunately it is



Sami Haj-Assaad
AutoGuide.com

With the A5 needing a refresh and starting to look old in the eyes of some socialites and the 4 Series lacking the style and sportiness that drivers in this segment are looking for, Mercedes-Benz is offering a shining star in its C-Class Coupe.

While the last generation C-Class Coupe showed up a few years after its sedan counterpart hit the market, this new-gen model is hot on the heels of the launch of the new sedan; it seems like Mercedes is eager to strut its stuff in this interesting market segment.

The luxury coupe competition has become stale and the only fresh new vehicles are coming from unusual sources, like the new, but polarizing Lexus RC. To turn that trend around, the new C-Class Coupe has to be fantastic. Fortunately, it is.

First impressions are important, and the C-Class walks a fine line between bling and beauty. While many of the test vehicles featured the brand's usually excessive looking diamond chrome grille option, these cars didn't look garish at all. Eighteen-inch wheels and other aggressive exterior

appearance parts also helped the C-Class Coupe maintain a striking visual presence.

Sleek from all angles, this Coupe easily stands out alongside the bigger, more expensive Mercedes vehicles and coupes. The C-Class no longer has a second class design or a cheap interior; Mercedes' new interior design language is among the best in the market. Circular vents are accented by chunky, toggle-like switches and if the car features the upgraded Burmester audio system, the speaker grilles are like little art installations in their own right.

Throwing the C-Class around the back roads of Maine and New Hampshire is a good way to feel how the Coupe is tuned for more feedback and a tighter response in terms of steering and handling. However, most of the cars tested were equipped with the AMG Sport Package that included a sport suspension, so the ride did get a bit choppy, especially over broken pavement. Alternatively, the brand's Airmatic suspension smoothed out the ride and is a must-have option. While the suspension gives plenty of feedback, the steering is a bit lifeless.

But with its competition from BMW and Audi now stale, the introduction of the new C-Class is a refreshing sight in this niche segment. While the A5 and 3 Series Coupe have enjoyed success in the past, it's clear that the Mercedes C-Class Coupe is now the best two-door luxury car on the market.

THE CHECKLIST | 2017 MERCEDES-BENZ C300 COUPE

THE BASICS

Engine: Turbo 2.0-litre four-cylinder
Power: 240 hp and 38 kg/m of torque
Transmission: Seven-speed automatic
Price (CAD): Starts at \$48,100



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- Great style
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LEAVE IT

- Seats could be better
- Sport suspension is too harsh

RECOGNITION

2017 Lincoln MKZ wins top safety award



Jason Siu
AutoGuide.com

The 2017 Lincoln MKZ has earned the highest safety rating from the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS).

The midsize luxury car shares its platform with the Ford Fusion, which also earned a Top Safety Pick+ designation from IIHS. Both cars had their front ends and bumpers modified to improve protection in frontal crashes

and now earn a good rating in the small overlap test, compared with an acceptable rating for earlier models.

Like the 2017 Ford Fusion, the MKZ is available with an optional front crash prevention system that earns a superior rating. In IIHS track tests, the MKZ was able to avoid collisions at 19 km/h and 40 km/h.

To qualify for Top Safety Pick+, the top award from IIHS, a vehicle must earn good ratings in the small overlap front, moderate overlap front,



The 2017 Lincoln MKZ. LEE BAILIE/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

side, roof strength and head restraint tests.

It also must have an avail-

able front crash prevention system that earns an advanced or superior rating.

+ WHEELS BRIEFS

Installing child seats getting easier, safety agency says

Three vehicles have earned a top rating of good+ on the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety's (IIHS) LATCH ease-of-use ratings.

The agency launched its ratings of child seat installation hardware in vehicles in June 2015, and at the time, most of the 102 vehicles that were rated scored poor or marginal. Now, 170 current models have been evaluated and most are good or acceptable. This year also marks the first

time a vehicle has received a good+ rating with the Audi Q7, Lexus RX and Toyota Prius all earning the highest marks.

"Frustrating child seat installations have become a familiar rite of parenthood," says Jessica Jermakian, an IIHS senior research engineer. "Unfortunately, these frustrations lead to mistakes that can have real consequences in the event of a crash. We're pleased to see automakers taking this issue seriously."

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FIFA president Gianni Infantino is open to a 40-team World Cup in 2026, with several countries serving as co-hosts

Holtby takes 'long road' back to Team Canada

WORLD CUP OF HOCKEY

Vezina winner last played for country in 2007 at U18s

When Braden Holtby last represented Canada on the international stage it was almost a decade ago and he barely played.

The 26-year-old from Lloydminster, Sask., has been slowly inching upward ever since. From fourth-round pick of the Washington Capitals to starting net-minder in the NHL to Vezina Trophy winner and record-setter and back once more with Team Canada, this time as the likely next-in-line behind Carey Price at the World Cup of Hockey.

"It's a long road," Holtby said following the second day of World Cup training camp. "I just always focused on that next goal, that next level trying to get there. It's always been the dream to be here, so you never really think twice about it you just do what's necessary."

Holtby played eight minutes 50 seconds at his last international experience nine years ago (2007), the backup to future Colorado Avalanche draft pick Trevor Cann at the under-18 championships in Finland. The Canadians finished fourth that

year, despite boasting Steven Stamkos, Drew Doughty, and Logan Couture, all of whom would join Holtby again nearly a decade later on the latest incarnation of the Canadian World Cup team.

Doughty somehow remembers it all quite well, even down to the fact that Cann (who's yet to play an NHL game) and not Holtby, started. Couture recalled playing cards with Holtby in their Finnish hotel room, describing him as a goaltender who was long under the radar.

Holtby was passed over entirely for the world junior

"It's always been the dream to be here, so you never really think twice about it you just do what's necessary."

Braden Holtby

championships.

"Even back then I remember he was a good goalie," Doughty said. "Obviously to be on the under-18 team you've got to be

a really good goalie and I guess he's just taken that talent to another level. He's one of the best goalies in the league now."

Holtby was shocked when Canada invited him to their summer Olympic training camp in 2013, somewhat in awe of the talent around him. He knew he wasn't part of the top group at that point, then just a couple years into his career with Washington.

"I knew the ability was there," Holtby

said. "I just had to find it."

It didn't come right away. Holtby stumbled backward in the 2013-14 season (.915 save percentage) before leaping into the elite crowd with 41 wins, nine shutouts and a .923 save percentage two years ago. In capturing the Vezina last season, Holtby matched Martin Brodeur's single-season wins record, totalling 48 (in 12 fewer games than Brodeur) for the Capitals.

He doesn't look at his conquest as the league's top goaltender, nor his inclusion on Team Canada as turning points in a career that's always trended up. He circles back to the point when he first made it into the NHL, when he first realized he could compete for his ultimate goal: the Stanley Cup.

"And that's really the only focus," said Holtby, who went 48-9-7 last year as the Capitals were vanquished in the second round by Pittsburgh. "I'm not really too focused on other personal stuff."

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Holtby matched Martin Brodeur's single-season wins record last season.



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RIO 2016

Hoops star chosen to wave the Maple Leaf

When David Eng made his Paralympic debut 12 years ago in Athens, coach Mike Frogley would jot down a word each day and pin that word on the wall.

They were words like "leadership" and "commitment," character traits Frogley wanted his players to embody.

They were words, Eng decided then and there, to live by.

"I started focusing on that," Eng said. "That was what I wanted to become, was that type of person."

The 39-year-old veteran of Canada's wheelchair basketball team has been chosen to carry the Maple Leaf into the opening ceremony of the Paralympic Games on Wednesday.

Frogley, now the high performance director for Wheelchair Basketball Canada, said there was no better choice. Every great player and every team, he said, "starts with great character."

"And that's what David is: great character that allows us the opportunity to be great," Frogley said. "And he's a great representation of Canada, (he) embodies all the things that Canadians hold in the highest regard, his work ethic, his discipline, his commitment to the team ... those are things all Canadians share in, so they share in him marching out holding our flag."

The two-time Paralympic gold medalist, who was cheered on by both the men's and women's wheelchair teams at his news conference Tuesday morning, will be competing at his fourth Games. Canada won gold in Eng's debut in 2004, took the silver at the 2008 Beijing Games and won gold four years ago in London.

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David Eng

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WORLD CUP QUALIFYING

Portugal misses star in loss to Swiss

European champion Portugal failed to overcome the absence of Cristiano Ronaldo this time, and lost 2-0 to Switzerland in a World Cup qualifying match on Tuesday.

For Portugal's first competitive match since beating France in the Euro 2016 final, Ronaldo was left out of the squad while he recovers from the knee injury sustained in the opening minutes in Paris.

A Swiss team which mostly lacked spark in France came

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to life with two goals midway through the first half at Basel.

Breel Embolo headed the opening goal in the 23rd minute and Admir Mehmedi curled in his shot in the 30th.

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U.S. OPEN

Monfils rolls into semis

Gael Monfils reached his first Grand Slam semifinal since 2008 with a straight-set victory at the U.S. Open over 24th-seeded Lucas Pouille, who upset Rafael Nadal a round earlier.

The 10th-seeded Monfils beat Pouille 6-4, 6-3, 6-3 in an all-French quarter-final Tuesday.

The entertaining Monfils has won all 15 sets he's played during this tournament.

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DAVIS CUP

Raonic pulls out of matchup vs. Chile

Canada will be without top player Milos Raonic when it takes on Chile in a Davis Cup playoff later this month in Halifax.

Tennis Canada says Raonic is skipping the series due to "lingering effects of the cramping he experienced during his second-round match at the U.S. Open last week."

This will be the ninth time the two countries have played each other in Davis Cup with the record standing at an even 4-4. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Milos Raonic lost in the second round of the U.S. Open last week.

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RECENT MEDALS

Both the Canadian men and women captured silver medals at last summer's Parapan Am Games in Toronto.

Broncos settle in with Siemian

NFL SEASON PREVIEW

Champs look to relative no name in Super Bowl defence

Peyton Manning's successor isn't Brock Osweiler or Colin Kaepernick or Mark Sanchez, all of whom had better off-season odds than NFL novice Trevor Siemian.

When Broncos GM John Elway declined to overpay Osweiler, Manning's longtime backup bolted to Houston 48 hours after his mentor called it a career. Elway quickly acquired Sanchez from the Eagles but he really had his eyes fixed on Kaepernick, who rejected a pay cut to facilitate a trade from the 49ers to Denver.

So, Elway moved on — and he moved up in the first round of the draft, selecting Paxton Lynch of Memphis, who very well might be the franchise's future.



Trevor Siemian spent last season soaking in Gary Kubiak's West Coast offence under the tutelage of Peyton Manning and Brock Osweiler. JUSTIN EDMONDS/GETTY IMAGES

The present, though, belongs to Siemian, a QB who won the starting job with a mix of brains and brawn, precision and poise, steadiness and spunk.

The Carolina Panthers will certainly try to unnerve Siemian in his first NFL start Thursday night in the 2016 season opener.

Thing is, nobody at Broncos

headquarters has ever seen the 2015 seventh-round pick get rattled.

Not when he was Osweiler's backup for two months last season when Manning was hurt.

“Who is Trevor Siemian? He's super intelligent, he knows a lot of stuff and there's a reason that they named him the starter.”

Kicker Brandon McManus

Not when he ran the scout team against Denver's destructive defence that brought home the Lombardi Trophy.

Not even when coach Gary Kubiak named him the starter. “He's the same guy: cool, calm and collected,” said wide receiver Emmanuel Sanders.

“He's not going to change. He's not going to waver. I know that he wants to show the world, ‘Hey, look at this guy out here, No. 13.’ I think he can make plays and make all the throws.” THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

+ ABOUT THE QB

■ Siemian was a high school star in central Florida as a QB and a third baseman.

■ He chose Big Ten school Northwestern as much for its academics as its athletics.

■ He played in 44 games for the Wildcats but started just 14 — yet still finished as the school's fourth-leading passer.

■ He tore an ACL in his final college game and that scared away plenty of teams but not the Broncos, who chose him with the 250th overall pick in 2015, after which Siemian declared, “I can't think of a better scenario” than to learn from Peyton Manning and Brock Osweiler.

IN BRIEF

Para ticket sales hit 1.6M

With the Rio Paralympics set to begin Wednesday, organizers say ticket sales have jumped from around 200,000 to 1.6 million, and a spirit of optimism now pervades the cash-strapped event.

“It's helped by the fact that the Brazilian team did so well in the final weekend of the Olympics,” Craig Spence, a spokesman for the International Paralympic Committee, said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Irish official mum on ticket-scalping probe

A high-ranking Olympic official is declining to answer police questions related to alleged ticket scalping during last month's Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro.

A police official said Olympic Council of Ireland President Patrick Hickey declined to answer questions. Hickey also did not comment upon leaving a Rio de Janeiro station.

Hickey was jailed during the Olympics. He was set free last week after a judge ruled that he wasn't a risk to the investigation. His passport has been confiscated, and he must remain in Brazil until the probe is concluded.

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PENNY OLEKSIK

Back to books for Canada's golden girl

Penny Oleksiak is kind of a big deal at her high school.

The star swimmer, who won four medals at the Rio Olympics, returned to class on Tuesday as she enters grade 11, but her recently found fame is something she's playing down.

“I don't think I'm a celebrity,” she said with a big smile.

“I think everyone knows me already.”

Oleksiak is a bona fide celebrity after this summer's medal haul, which culminated in carrying the country's flag at the closing ceremony. It is an issue that school officials have been discussing over the past few weeks.

Monarch Park Collegiate in Toronto's east end decided to hold a news conference on the first day of school with the hope that normalcy will return to Oleksiak's life by Wednesday.

After a bit of chit-chatting in the office, Bryan McAlpine, the school's head of athletics, decided to take a different approach: He asked if the star athlete still planned to



Penny Oleksiak GETTY IMAGES

keep score in volleyball games — something she did last year.

“For sure I'm going to,” Oleksiak said.

“This is going to sound really bad and I don't think I'm going to say it, but I'll say it: it's another opportunity to hang out with your friends during school. It's fun to score keep especially when my friends are playing volleyball — it's awesome.”

Oleksiak's answer to McAlpine came as a relief to principal Cynthia Abernethy, who believes the 16-year-old student will easily slide back into high school life as a student.

“We were nervous about Penny coming back and hav-

ing to teach a celebrity, but it took two minutes to speak with Penny to get back at ease and to realize this is a kind of a normal place for her,” McAlpine said.

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“As of tomorrow, Penny goes back to four periods a day and we're going to crack that whip.”

Monarch Park Collegiate principal Cynthia Abernethy

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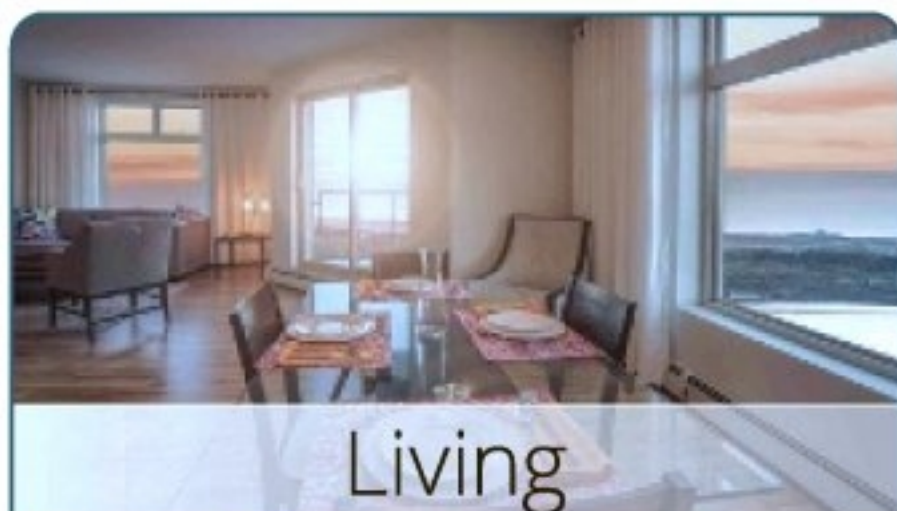
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- 1 tsp fish sauce
- 1 tsp sugar

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Prep time: 20 minutes
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Ingredients

- 2 chicken breasts
- 1/4 - 1/2 purple cabbage, thinly sliced
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- 2 carrots, shredded
- 1 red pepper, thinly sliced
- 1/2 cucumber, peeled and sliced
- 2 spring onions, sliced
- handful cilantro, chopped
- 1/3 cup peanuts, chopped (optional)

Dressing

- 1 Tbsp sesame oil

Directions

1. Fill a skillet with water and season the water with salt and pepper and bring it to a simmer. Place chicken breasts in water and cook 10 to 12 minutes, depending on how thick the breasts are. Remove from the skillet to clean plate. Use two forks to shred the chicken.

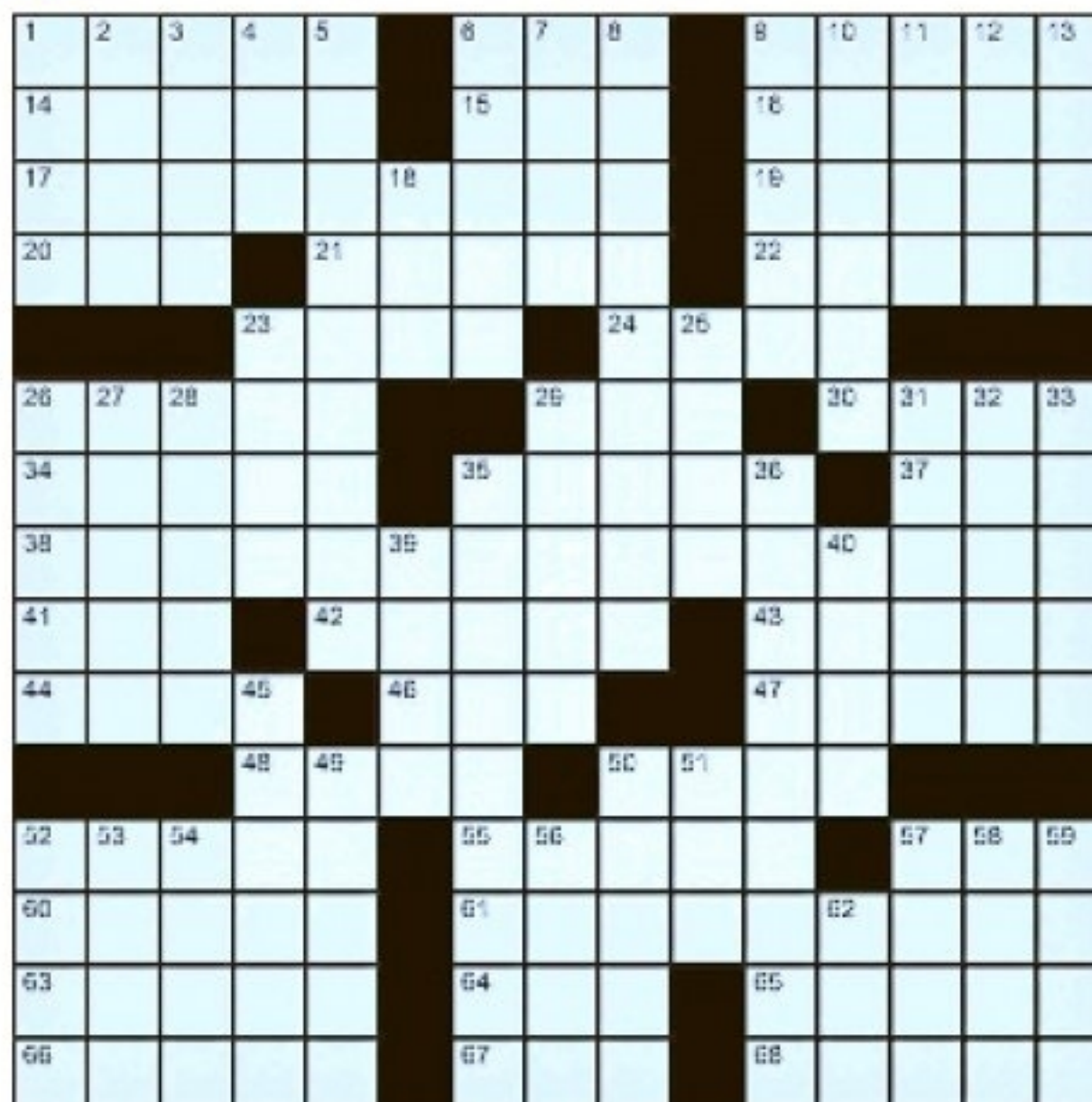
2. In a small bowl, whisk together the dressing ingredients.

3. In a large serving bowl, toss together the vegetables and chicken. Drizzle dressing over the salad and toss again. Serve the salad in bowls and garnish with cilantro and chopped peanuts.

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16. Story with morals
17. King Arthur's legendary weapon
19. Stewpots
20. East Coast ocean, for short
21. Canadian 'Push' group
22. Conforms
23. Deer's tail type
24. _ _ -the-minute (In style)
26. Unlawfully lift
29. Pro
30. Pharaoh snakes
34. Dominican Republic neighbour
35. Beer holders
37. Celeb photographer
38. Reporters aspire to providing it on big stories: 2 wds.
41. Cereal grass
42. Walk-in closet collection
43. Outspoken
44. Weight allowance
46. Same old, same old
47. Function
48. Lunchtime order
50. Pony's pride
52. Looseness in the line
55. Lyre-playing Muse

57. Holy hail
60. Chilly weather comfort drink
61. 1999 Keanu Reeves blockbuster: 2 wds.
63. Big name in office labels
64. "Mazel _"
65. K, to Homer
66. Hatchlings

- homes
67. 'Computer' suffix
68. Muscle _

DOWN

1. Beatles famed concert stadium
2. Following
3. Comes with it,

- for short
4. Monk's title
5. They're shown in a critique of a latest Hollywood release: 2 wds.
6. Custom
7. Cross to bear
8. Super skilled sorts

9. Underway
10. Movie boxer Rocky's surname
11. Up to the task
12. Celebrity chef Bobby
13. "Guarding _" (1994)
18. Cash substitute letters

23. Fill
25. Prior to, for short
26. Top type
27. Ms. Tucker
28. Canada's largest duck
29. Aspect
31. Planetary place
32. Particular polytheistic person
33. Wheat type
35. Name of fashion designer Karl Lagerfeld's pet cat he always carries around that has its own Twitter and Instagram accounts
36. Winnipeg: Battle of _ National Historic Site of Canada, as per the 1816 conflict in the Pemmican War
39. Drive- _ restaurant
40. Wander
45. Police _ (Dignitary's accompaniment)
49. Signs off on
50. Irish writer Ms. Binchy
51. Bills spewer in the mall
52. Casually look over
53. Zero, in a tennis match
54. Hotshots
56. 17th Greek letters
57. Harp, in Italy
58. Limo passengers often
59. Big test
62. Do some spy work

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
This is a good day to make future travel plans or to check out approaches to further studies and schooling. Whatever you do will have a practical, pleasant outcome.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Relations with co-workers are positive and supportive today. If someone older or more experienced has advice for you, listen to it, because it will help you.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
A romance might blossom with someone older today. Those of you involved in the arts will find that you have the discipline to practice and hone your skills and techniques.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Any effort to introduce improvements or redecorate your home will go well today. Not only will things be more attractive, they also will function better. An older family member might help.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
You can make money with your communication skills today. This could be through writing, talking, sales, marketing, teaching or acting. It's easy to be diplomatic and practical.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
This is an excellent day for business and commerce. Look for ways to solidify your finances so that they are more secure in the future. Someone older might help you.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Today your steady, calm approach to things creates a role model for others. You see a happy marriage between practical function and relationships. Good for you!

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
A secret relationship, possibly romantic, with someone older or more established, might take place today. Whatever you do (especially in terms of money) will be low-key.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Check in with someone older or more experienced today to get this person's guidance. His or her suggestions can help you to set future goals. You will know what is doable

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
A romance with a boss or someone older or more experienced might begin today. Others will approach you to give their creative advice on design, layout or furniture arrangement.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Travel plans, especially with someone older, look promising today. This is also a good day to seek advice from a teacher or guru-like figure.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
This is a good day to settle debts and discussions about inheritances and shared property. People are conservative; however, they want to reach an agreement.

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